



## **BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006**

### **Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown (MSA) [26420]**

Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2006 population of 5,507,557 ranked 6th in the nation.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2006 Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$43,174. This PCPI ranked 25th in the United States and was 118 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.0 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown was \$26,059 and ranked 43rd in the United States. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2006 Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown had a total personal income (TPI) of \$237,783,836\*. This TPI ranked 8th in the United States. In 1996 the TPI of Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown was \$112,942,135\* and ranked 11th in the United States. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 9.7 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 7.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 78.4 percent of TPI (compared with 76.6 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 12.9 percent (compared with 14.0 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 8.8 percent (compared with 9.4 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 9.7 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 11.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.3 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 8.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 6.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 7.0 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown increased from \$188,573,437\* in 2005 to \$207,054,936\* in 2006, an increase of 9.8 percent. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$96,854,670\* to the 2006 estimate was 7.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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